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For: METHOD AND DEVICE FOR FILTERING BODY FLUID

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The Applicant and others substantively involved in the preparation of the application are aware of the documents, cited on the enclosed PTO-1449 form. With the exception of FR 2,500,756, copies of the documents listed on the cited European Search Report for a counterpart application have been provided in earlier Information Disclosure Statements.

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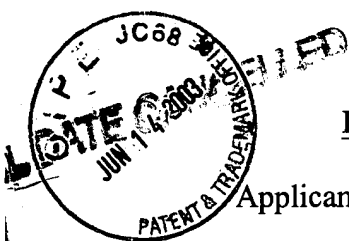
Pursuant to the Manual of Patent Examining Procedure, Chapter 609, Applicants requests that the Examiner consider each of the listed documents and initial and return to the undersigned a copy of the enclosed PTO-1449 form (submitted in duplicate).

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Respectfully submitted,

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Transmitted herewith are the following:

1. Information Disclosure Statement (2 pages);
2. Form 1449 listing documents (1 page, in duplicate); and
3. Copy of each cited reference (3 documents).

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U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

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FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUBCLASS	TRANSLATION	
					YES	NO
FR 2,500,756	Sept. 3, 1982	France				X

OTHER DOCUMENTS (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

		Search Report for Counterpart European Application EP 0 207 6318
		English Language Abstract for FR 2,500,756

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